Welcome to New Hope!

November 8, 2026 ***24th Sunday after Pentecost***

Pine Creek Site 8:30a Sand Creek Site 10a



Today the prophet Amos calls for justice to roll down like waters. Paul urges us to encourage one another with the promised coming of the Lord. Jesus tells the parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids. Surrounded by the faithful of every time and place, we celebrate Christ's coming in our midst in the word of life and the feast of victory —the marriage feast of the Lamb.

***Green & Blue Hymnals are in pews**.
Cranberry Hymnals at Sand Creek site are in shelf near office door.

GATHERING

PRELUDE
WELCOME
HYMN *Gather Us In* Blue Hymnal #718
INVOCATION
CONFESSION + FORGIVENESS
APOSTOLIC GREETING
PRAYER OF THE DAY

WORD

OLD TESTAMENT + Amos 5: 18-24
In the days of Amos, people thought that the day of the LORD would be a time of great victory, but Amos announced that it would be a day of darkness, not light. He said liturgy is no substitute for obedience. The LORD demands justice and righteousness in the community. A reading from the prophet, Amos.

PSALM 70 *You are my helper and my deliverer; O Lord, do not tarry. (Ps. 70:5)*

NEW TESTAMENT + 1st Thessalonians 4: 13-18
Some of the Thessalonians are worried that dead Christians will be excluded from the resurrection to eternal life when Christ comes again. Paul reassures them with the word of home that all Christians, living or dead, will be raised into everlasting life with Christ. A reading from Paul's letter.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY
NOISY OFFERING/MISSION *November offerings support ELCA Disaster Response*

- *Please stand as you are able for a reading from the life of Jesus Christ.*

HYMN *Thy Word is a Lamp Unto My Feet*

GOSPEL + Matthew 25: 1-13
Jesus tells a parable about his own second coming, emphasizing the need for readiness at all times.

- *Please be seated*

SERMON *Pastor Michael Sparby*

HYMN *When Peace Like a River* Cranberry Hymnal #785

REFLECTION *Veteran's Day*

PRAYERS
LORD'S PRAYER

MEAL

SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE
OFFERINGS r*eceived in plates at Pine Creek site and boxes near the doors at Sand Creek site.*
OFFERTORY PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING
WORDS OF INSTITUTION
LAMB OF GOD
REFLECTION *How Great Thou Art*

SENDING

COMMUNION BLESSING
COMMUNION PRAYER

MINISTRY NEWS
BENEDICTION
THREE-FOLD AMEN

HYMN *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* Blue Hymnal #649
SENDING
POSTLUDE

New Hope Announcements November 8, 2026

Thank you for worshipping with us! You are welcome here if searching for a spiritual home!

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY **11/8**
8:30a/PC Worship
9:20a Fellowship/both sites *SC:Sophia Circle*
10a/SC Worship
MONDAY **11/9**
8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
TUESDAY **11/10**
7p/SC AA
WEDNESDAY *Veterans Day* **11/11**
4:30-6p/SC Piano lessons
6:30/SC Confirmation
THURSDAY **11/12**
9:30a/SC Sophia Circle
5:30-7p/SC Piano lessons
FRIDAY *Office closed* **11/13**
SUNDAY **11/15**
Newsletter articles due
8:30a/PC Worship
9:20a Fellowship/both sites *SC:Men's Group*
10a/SC Worship

Offerings received at

*Pine Creek site offering plate (8:30a worship)
*Sand Creek site offering boxes (10a worship)
*Website: www.newhopescpc.org
*Post mail: Po Bx 85, Sand Creek, WI 54765

Your support is greatly appreciated!



Red Christmas Poinsettia Orders

$15 payable to: New Hope Memo: Flowers
Due Sunday, December 6th
Order forms are in the narthex and our website

IN OUR PRAYERS

Please update church office after 2 weeks
Lana Anderson, Carol Gerner, Allen Waterhouse, Joe Pingel, Joan Peterson, Wayne Christopherson
Barron Care/Rehab: Bev Miller, Richard Misselt
Chetek Meadowbrook Rehab: Ron Davis
Monroe Manor/Barron: Boydean/Astrid Sannes, Gary Hanson
Military: Capt. David E. Dahl, Jacob Messinger

Community Care

For pastoral visit/call, or to join our Visitation Team, contact church office, Joyce Gilberts, Team Leader, or Pastor.

***Sympathy to the family of Renny Kidder** who died Sunday, October 25th. She is sister to Judy Anderson, the late Elaine Toycen, Doreen Arneson, and Orwin Sparby.*

***Congratulations to Sawyer Suvada & Elyse** blessed with a daughter, Alice Kay Suvada, born Nov. 2nd. Grandparents are Eric & Tami (Omtvedt) Suvada.*

COMMEMORATIONS

Martin, Bishop of Tours, died 397
Enlisted in the Roman army by his pagan father. Approached by a beggar, he cut his cloak in half and gave part to the man, whom he later understood as representing Christ. He asked to leave the army, but was jailed instead. After his release, he became a preacher, and later a bishop.

Søren Aabye Kierkegaard, teacher, died 1855
This Danish theologian's writings gave rise to the modern philosophy of existentialism. He frequently attacked the complacency of the state church of his day, as well as its desire to be accepted by polite society rather than be a stumbling block.

LOOKING AHEAD

NOVEMBER

Mon. Nov. 16 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
SC W/ELCA offering received
Wed. Nov. 18 6:30p/SC Confirmation
Thurs. Nov. 19 9:30a/SC Sophia Circle
Sun. Nov. 22 reg. sch/***Guest: Rev. David Natzke***
Mon. Nov. 23 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Wed. Nov. 25 **6p/SC *Thanksgiving Eve Worship***
Stories of Thanks: Clarissa Buhr, Jim Irwin
Sun. Nov. 29 reg. sch/***Guest Rev. David Natzke***
Advent 1 No Sunday School

DECEMBER

Wed. Dec. 2 4:30-6p/SC Piano lessons
6p/SC Eve Circle
6:30p/SC Confirmation *(Stuff Stockings)*
Thurs. Dec. 3 5:30-7p/SC Piano lessons
Sun. Dec. 6 reg. sch ***Advent 2***
9:30a/PC W/ELCA *Christmas Potluck*
10a/SC Baptism *(Rowen John Michaels)*
Mon. Dec. 7 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Wed. Dec. 9 4:30-6p/SC Piano lessons
Thurs. Dec. 10 5:30-7p/SC Piano lessons
Sun. Dec. 13 reg. sch: **PC Christmas Pageant**
3p/SC Christmas Cantata
(New Auburn Community Choir)
Mon. Dec. 14 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
SC W/ELCA offering received
7p/SC Church Council
Mon. Dec. 15 Newsletter articles due
Wed. Dec. 16 4:30-6p/SC Piano lessons
Thurs. Dec. 17 9:30a/SC Sophia Circle
5:30-7p/SC Piano lessons
Sun. Dec. 20 reg. sch/***PC Christmas Worship***
SC Christmas Pageant
Mon. Dec. 21 8:30a/SC Comforters Quilting
Thurs. Dec. 24 ***5p/SC Christmas Eve Candlelight***
Sun. Dec. 27 reg. sch/*Lessons + Carols*

Christmas Choir

Our Sand Creek site choir is preparing for the season. Rehearsals are Dec. 6, 13, 20 immediately after 10a worship. We'll sing Dec. 13, 20, 24. Join us! **Notify the office if you'd like to receive CHOIR EMAILS W/ MUSIC.**

35 Homeless Youth Christmas Stockings

Confirmation project: Due Sun., Nov. 29

Collecting items with Eau Claire Lutheran Social Services (LSS). Monetary donations are welcome to purchase items.

	Need as of Nov. 4th
• Toothbrush	27
• Small Toothpaste	
• Adult Thermal Socks	31
• Tube Socks	33
• Small First Aid Kit *(.99 cent size)*	
• ~~Small Pack of Tissues~~	
• Full-size Deodorant *(universal)*	34
• ~~Lip Balm~~ *(purchased)*	
• Hand Cream	
• Hand Warmers *(2 each)*	58
• Pair of Magic Gloves	
• ~~Small memo pad~~	
• pen	
• Candy, Breath Mints, Gum	
• ~~Deck of Cards~~ *(purchased)*	
• $20 Gift Cards *(Target, WalMart)*	
• $10 Gift Cards *(Walgreens, CVS)*	

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Website: www.newhopescpc.org Like us on Facebook!

WORSHIP

8:30 am/Pine Creek *9:20a Coffee Fellowship + Sunday school*
10 am/Sand Creek *9:20a Coffee Fellowship + Sunday school during worship (Sept.—May)*
Telephone Ministry 1-534-444-4300 **FREE Live stream** http://newhope.listentochurch.com

YouTube Link to View Streamed Services: ***New Hope on the Creeks***
New Hope Lutheran Church of Sand Creek & Pine Creek
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgsG8Jl-RdcdnKSnFI48DyQ